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Lt. Gov. Peter Kinder Supports Proposal for New Health Sciences Building on MSSU Campus

*\$18.9 Million Dollars Funded through
The Lewis and Clark Discovery Initiative*

Joplin, Missouri- Lieutenant Governor Peter Kinder announced his support this afternoon for the proposed construction of a new Health Sciences building on the Missouri Southern State University campus. The proposal is part of Governor Blunt's Lewis and Clark Discovery Initiative, and would provide nearly \$19 million dollars for the project.

"By providing the funds for a much needed Health Sciences Center building here at MSSU, we will put Missouri at the forefront of the business of discovery", said Lt. Governor Kinder. He added, "Governor Blunt's Lewis and Clark Discovery Initiative would invest almost \$19 million dollars for this project. This plan will help keep MSSU and the Joplin area moving forward."

Under the current proposal under consideration in the Missouri legislature, Missouri Southern State University would receive \$18,976,000 for the construction and renovation of a Health Sciences Building. The total project is estimated to cost \$24,032,000, with MSSU providing \$5,056,000 in matching funds.